# Pomme Spring - John Ward and Mark Boyette Take the Win

Another great tourney at Pomme De Terre. 48 Anglers weighed in 122 fish. The weather was a little better to us on Saturday. Sunday was a little rough with thunderstorms all night. It cleared up early and turned out to be a pretty nice day.

## **Winning Anglers**

# 1st Place -- John Ward and Mark Boyette

John weighed in four fish on Saturday. Their team weight for Saturday was 5.68 lbs. This weight put them in 8<sup>th</sup> place after weighin Saturday. Sunday was a different story. Both John and Mark weighed in their 5 fish limit. John weighed in one that was 2.65 lbs. Their total Sunday weight 19.25 lbs. I believe this is very close to a one day stringer record. Their total tourney weight was 24.93 lbs. That Tourney weight put them in 11<sup>th</sup> place in the overall top 11 stringers. (this just beats out the ex Secretary and ex President who held the 11<sup>th</sup> place spot with 24.16lbs) They took home \$212.00 for the first place win. John and Mark reported they caught the 10 fish on Brush Hogs and 7" worms 10' deep. John reported that they caught 75% of their fish in a spot of about 30' of shoreline. They had their double limit on Sunday by 9:45 AM.

#### 2nd Place -- Steve Williams and Brian Schumacher

Steve and Brian set the pace on Saturday. Steve weighed in 4 fish and Brian weighed in 1. The team weight for Saturday of 11.52 lbs put them in 1<sup>st</sup> place. One of Steve's fish was a Hawg. It weighed in at 5.02 lbs. Sunday it was just the opposite. Brian weighed in 5 fish and Steve weighed in 1. The result was a total weight of 21.41 lbs. Steve and Brian took home \$170.00 for their effort. They reported using spinnerbaits.

#### 3rd Place -- Joe Voss and Del Williams

Joe weighed in 4 fish and Del weighed in 2 fish on Saturday for a total weight of 10.64 lbs. That put them in 2nd place on Saturday. The fish eluded Joe on Sunday and Del weighed in 1 fish on Sunday. Their total team weight was 12.05 lbs. They took home checks for \$138.00 for their effort. Joe and Del reported they used Crankbaits, Worms and Lizards

48 anglers caught a total of 122 fish. Please see below for a complete list of the finishers.

	Team	# Fish	Weight		Payout
1st	John Ward and Mark Boyette	14	24.93	lbs	\$212.00
2nd	Steve Williams and Brian Schumacher	11	21.41	lbs	\$170.00
3rd	Joe Voss and Del Williams	7	12.05	lbs	\$138.00
4th	Rob Cook and Bob Ray		12.00	lbs	\$106.00
5th	Doug Reynolds and Dottie Reynolds		11.88	lbs	\$82.00
6th	Pam Wakim and Bob Treadway		11.55	lbs	\$58.00

# **Big Bass**

## **Saturday**

Saturday Big Bass was weighed in by Steve Williams at 5.02 lbs. Steve took home \$90.00 for Saturday Big Bass and his fish also entitled him to the Big Bass Side Pot worth \$120.00. Steve reported he caught the Hawg on a white spinnerbait

#### Sunday

Sunday Big Bass was weighed in by John Litzinger at 3.46 lbs. John took home \$90.00 for the Sunday Big Bass. John reported he caught the Hawg on a Baby Brush Hog

## **Angler of the Year**

Terry Stanek is still in sole possession of the top spot as Angler of the Year by 9 points. Terry weighed in one fish at Pomme. Second place is held by Jeff Schwent. Jeff weighed in 4 fish at Pomme. Bob Treadway weighed in 2 fish at Pomme. Bob and Pam Wakim finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place to add a place point. That was enough to keep Bob in sole possession of 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

## A Lesson was learned

Competition can be very healthy. Our club was born from the need for competition. It appears that there was a bit more competition this past weekend amongst some of the participants at Pomme. I heard things like "young whippersnappers" and "old farts" being whispered around the weighins. This was a typical battle between the "Baby Boomers" and the "Generation Xers". It was as if Guido Hibdon and Denny Brauer had teamed up to teach Dion Hibdon and Chad Brauer a lesson they would never forget. Steve (Guido) Carnal and Rick (Denny) Armstrong stepped to the scales on Saturday with 3 fish. One of Guidos was big, 3.92 lbs. Their total weight for Saturday was 6.73 lbs. Adam (Dion) Carnal and Ricky (Chad) Armstrong could only watch. They were skunked on Saturday. They knew they had their work cut out for them if they were going to "walk the walk". It was clear to all that they could "talk the talk". Sunday was a little different story. Guido (Steve) and Denny (Rick) weighed in one fish each for 3.53 lbs. Their total weight for the weekend was 10.26 lbs. Dion (Adam) brought in 2 fish and Chad (Ricky) brought in one. Their total weight was 5.10 lbs. They out fished the "Old Farts" on Sunday but it wasn't enough. I think the message was clear. You don't mess with the big dogs. Anyone for a rematch?

# **Fishing Conditions**

Lake Level -- 842.19, normal pool is 839.0

Lake Level Direction -- falling slightly.

Air Temp -- Sat - 68-81 deg, Sun 64-76 deg

Weather Conditions -- Sat - Fair, scattered clouds, Sun - thunderstorms early, clear

Winds -- Sat - 0-8 mph varied, Sun 0-15 mph S

Barometric Pressure -- Sat 29.86 rising, Sun 29.90 steady



Moon Phase -- Last Quarter

# Next Tournament -- Mark Twain - Highway U Ramp

# **Mark Twain History**

Jun, 2001 28 boats 4 fish total for the tournament (winning weight 2 fish = 7.38lbs). Oct, 2002 32 boats 8 fish total for the tournament (winning weight 1 fish = 3.45lbs). May, 2004 18 boats 23 fish total for the tournament (winning weight 4 fish = 7.57lbs). June, 2005 27 boats 109 fish total for the tournament (winning weight 13 fish = 25.79lbs)

Mark Twain had not been very good to Hawg Hawlers in the past. That all changed in 2005. Other than a delay on Sunday for storms, the tourney was a great success. We had 27 boats sign up for the tournament. Out of those 27 boats, 23 weighed in fish. They weighed in 109 fish. 40 of the 54 anglers in the tournament weighed in fish. The first place winners were Greg and Andy Shands. They weighed in 13 fish (including a full 5 fish limit for Greg both days) that weighed 25.79 lbs.

2005								
	Angler			Pattern				
1st Place	Greg Shands Andy S		Andy Sha	nds	Brush Hogs			
2nd Place	Jim Fanter		Jim Fanter Jr		Top Water			
3rd Place Don Bec		kley	Cinda Berra		Senko			
	Saturday			Sunday				
Weather Condi	Sunny Storm		Storm	delay to sunny				
Air Temp		80-90 64-80		64-80				
Winds	12-14 mph 6-17 m		6-17 m	ph				
Lake Condition	Muddy to clear							
Lake Level	606.5							
Water Temp	72 to 75							

2004								
	Angler		Pattern					
1st Place	Steve Carnal	Brian Amiess	Black Lizards w\ Red flakes					
2nd Place	Paul Boehme	Sam Boehme	Chartreuse Brush Hogs					
3rd Place	Greg Heinz	Chuck Beach	Black\blue jig craw					

# <u>Directions to Lake - Mark Twain - Highway U Ramp</u>

#### **To Southfork Resort**

Hwy 61 north to Bowling Green, hwy 154 west (careful driving thru Curryville, speed and other traffic regulations are **STRICTLY** enforced). About 7 miles west of Curryville, take hwy 154 west to hwy 19. Take hwy 19 north (right) to hwy 154 west (again). Go thru Perry MO about 8 miles, South Fork Resort is just past hwy 107, on the left hand side.

#### To Highway U Ramp

Hwy 61 north to Bowling Green, hwy 154 west (careful driving thru Curryville, speed and other traffic regulations are **STRICTLY** enforced). About 7 miles west of Curryville, take hwy 154 west to hwy 19. Take hwy 19 north (right) to hwy 154 west (again). Go thru Perry MO. Turn north (right) on 107. Turn left on Highway U. The ramp is 1\4 mile on your right.

#### **Tournament Directors**

Special thanks to Charlie Beach, Brooke Beach, Lori Luzynski and Craig Gravatte for serving as Tournament Directors at Pomme De Terre.

The TD's for Mark Twain are: Saturday – Pam Wakim and Frank Stanek, Sunday – Rob Cook and TBD.

# HELP-HELP-HELP-HELP

All of the spots for Tournament Directors have been filled except for Pomme De Terre – July – Saturday and Wappapello – September – Sunday. Please help us fill these last two spots. We have received a number of requests for Teams to serve as TD's more than once. Unfortunately, we cannot award more than one TD spot to the same Team until after June 1. We have started a waiting list for Tournament Director spots. This list will be used to fill any outstanding or new openings for Tournament Director. Please contact Terry Stanek or Craig Gravatte, Tournament Co-Chairman to put your name on the list.

## **New Members**

We now have 154 members. Welcome back to the returning 2005 members. The following is a list of club members who were not members in 2005. Please give them a warm welcome.

Adam Carnal, Paul French, Paul Ketterer, Scott Mertz and Kenneth Rose

## **Club Business**

Due to personal reasons Bob Treadway, Tournament Co-Chairman has resigned his position as a Hawg Hawler Officer. Effective 5/4/2006, Craig Gravatte has agreed to help us out and fill the position vacated by Bob. Please join us in congratulating him on the appointment. He will definitely be an asset to the Hawg Hawlers Officer Team.

## From The Presidents Boat

The Pomme De Terre State Park Marina is under new ownership this year, but the operating standards have not changed. Ray and the "New Crew" seem to be carrying on the tradition of running a first class operation. Many Hawg Hawlers reported that their food was top notch from the biscuits and gravy at breakfast through those massive tenderloins for lunch. The entire staff was very friendly and accommodating. One of our members didn't bring an extension cord to charge his batteries, and the marina lent him one at no cost. On top of all of this, they also provided us with a free nights slip rental as one of our attendance prizes. The "New Crew" at the State Park Marina is doing a fine job, so they deserve a big "Hawg Hawler Thank You". They will remain on our "Favorite Marinas" (add link http://www.hawghawlers.com/mrr.htm) listing. If anyone has an opportunity to travel to Pomme De Terre Lake, please stop in and say "Hi", tell them you are a Hawg Hawler, and then order a tenderloin.

Greg

# From the Pink Boat

Confessions of a Female Angler By Lori Luzynski and Pam Wakim

This quandary has puzzled female anglers for years.

It's March. It's cold. We're out in our boats trying to catch fish when suddenly it happens. We have to go potty. Is anyone watching? What do we do? The light bulb goes on. Ah ha, the livewell .... do we dare? We thought our partner would have a stroke. "Not in this boat and not in that livewell!" Drats, foiled again!!!

It's spring and warmer. We're back on the lake. Houses dot the shoreline .... people watching. What to do? We remember the cut in that bluff with an old abandoned boat dock. Wasting valuable fishing time we make the run and slowly troll into position. Ah, relief .... Oops ... it's not abandoned?? Sorry buddy ... didn't see you fishing there.

It's summer and club studs are breaking out their Hawg Hawler thongs. We get a tip to keep a bucket in the boat for emergencies. Good idea but since we got the bucket .... we haven't had to use it. It was taking up space so we left it at home this trip. Now we realize it's true .... we never really appreciate what we have until it's gone.

It's fall and we've learned not to drink anything during a tournament no matter how thirsty we get. At days end we're still ready to burst and bouncing across that chop on the way back is agony but we made it. You know, the thought of using Depends gets more tempting every year. How old do we have to be to buy those things?

Don't touch that dial. Stay tuned for further confessions ..... From the Pink Boat